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16 April 1958

Mr. John Xenakis, Jr.

Dear Mr. Xenakis:

Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Director of Central Intelligence, asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 11 April 1958. He further requested that I express to you his regret that he has no information regarding "Brain Warfare" to pass on. His thoughts on the subject were expressed in the article which you stated you had read in the May 8, 1953 edition of U. S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT.

Thank you for checking with us.
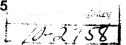
Sincerely,

Stanley J. Grogan
Assistant to the Director

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April 11, 1958

Mr. Allen W. Dulles
48 Wall Street
New York 5, New York

Dear Mr. Dulles,

   I am a senior at Haverhill High School, and am working on my
research paper for graduation. This paper requires in its contents
some evidence of an interview or a correspondence with an authority
on the subject.

   I read your article in the May 8, 1953 edition of U.S. News
magazine, on "Brain Warfare", and decided to write you for any
possible information.

   I have enclosed a copy of the outline I intend to use on my
paper.

   I would appreciate any information concening the topics of this
outline that you could send me.

                              Very truly yours,

                              John Xenakis Jr.

I Brainwashing--- Conditiong of the mind

II Methods used

 A Depfive victim of sleep

 B Keep victim at highest possible pitch

  1 Stimulants

  2 Bright lights

  3 Noise and general badgering

 C Keep victim in awkward uncomfortable position

III Effects

 A Some break down

 B Some go insane

 C Some can not last and die

IV Preventive action by U.S.

 A How much should G.Is. tell when captured

  1 Army & Marines say, "tell nothing"

  2 Air Force says, "tell what you know"

 B Military code to govern G.Is. conduct when captured